

TESTIMONIALS

IN FAVOUR OF

CLEMENT GODSON, M.D., M.B.

M.C. (ABERDEEN).

*Member of the Royal College of Physicians ;
Member of the Royal College of Surgeons ; Licentiate in Midwifery,
R.C.S., England ; Physician to the Samaritan Free Hospital
for Women and Children ; Late Senior Obstetric Assistant
to St. Bartholomew's Hospital ;
Surgeon-Accoucheur to the City of London Lying-in Hospital, &c.*

CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF

ASSISTANT PHYSICIAN-ACCOUCHEUR

TO

St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

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MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS,

MR. TREASURER, AND GENTLEMEN,

I beg to offer myself a Candidate for the office of Assistant Physician-Accoucheur to your Hospital.

For twelve years I have worked in the Wards of St. Bartholomew's, during the last seven of which I have devoted myself, especially, to the study of Midwifery, and the Diseases incidental to Women. I have availed myself of the vast opportunities for this, afforded by your Hospital, by filling the several offices of Clinical Clerk, Resident Obstetric Assistant, and Senior Obstetric Assistant, to the latter of which I was elected at the time it was instituted, and I retained it so long as the terms of the office permitted me to do so.

For two years, in the capacity of Surgeon-Accoucheur, I had charge of the whole of the patients in the largest Metropolitan Lying-in-Hospital. I was appointed, two and a half years since, Physician to the Samaritan Free Hospital for Women and Children, which office I still continue to hold. I trust that the Testimonials, which I have the honour to submit to your notice, may satisfy you as to my fitness for the appointment which I now seek, and I need scarcely add, that, should I be successful in obtaining it, I shall use my utmost endeavours to discharge its duties efficiently, and uphold the reputation of my Alma Mater.

I have the honour to be,

Your Royal Highness,

Mr. Treasurer, and Gentlemen,

Your most obedient servant,

CLEMENT GODSON, M.D.

8, UPPER BROOK STREET, GROSVENOR SQUARE, W.

17th June, 1875.



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TESTIMONIALS.

No. 1.

FROM

PATRICK BLACK, M.D., F.R.C.P.

Senior Physician to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, &c.

DR. GODSON'S ability, and earnest cultivation of a special branch of medical science, have been well known to me for many years, and I have heard others, who are better qualified to judge, speak highly in his praise. I think, too, that Dr. Godson would have the power of conveying instruction to his juniors, which would greatly enhance his value in a great medical school.

P. BLACK.

June, 1875.

No. 2.

FROM

JAMES ANDREW, M.D., F.R.C.P.

Physician to, and Lecturer on Medicine at, St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

I HAVE known Dr. Clement Godson for many years past, and have formed a high opinion of his ability and personal character. He has devoted himself specially to the study and practice of Midwifery and Diseases of Women, and

has already acquired no mean reputation in that branch of the profession.

I believe him to be in all ways well suited for the office of Assistant Physician-Accoucheur to St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

J. ANDREW, M.D.

22, HARLEY STREET, W.

9th June, 1875.

No. 3.

FROM

REGINALD SOUTHEY, M.D., F.R.C.P.

*Physician to, and Lecturer on Forensic Medicine at,
St. Bartholomew's Hospital, &c.*

DR. CLEMENT GODSON has, by his prolonged and sedulous attention to the department of Midwifery at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, acquired an amount of information and practical skill which fully qualifies him for the appointment of Assistant Physician-Accoucheur. The papers, which he has at various times contributed to Medical Journals upon Obstetrical Subjects, show him to be an ingenious, as well as a careful practitioner, while the appointments he has held at other Hospitals, and the experience he is well known to have gained in the school where he was educated, are strong recommendations in his favour.

REGINALD SOUTHEY, M.D.

6, HARLEY STREET, W.

14th June, 1875.

No. 4.

FROM

W. S. CHURCH, M.D., F.R.C.P.*Physician to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, &c.*

I HAVE had the pleasure of Dr. Godson's acquaintance for many years, ever since he was a student at St. Bartholomew's Hospital. It would give me great satisfaction to see him appointed to the post of Assistant Physician-Accoucheur to our Hospital, as I consider him, not only from the thoroughness of his professional knowledge, but also from his high personal character, excellently qualified for that office.

W. S. CHURCH.

2, UPPER GEORGE STREET, BRYANSTON SQUARE,
10th June, 1875.

No. 5.

FROM

LUTHER HOLDEN, Esq., F.R.C.S.*Senior Surgeon to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, &c.*

DR. CLEMENT GODSON, being a Candidate for the post of Assistant Physician-Accoucheur to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, I have much pleasure in expressing my entire belief that he is in all respects a gentleman worthy, and fitted to fill such an important appointment.

LUTHER HOLDEN.

65, GOWER STREET,
16th June, 1875.

No. 6.

FROM

WM. S. SAVORY, Esq., F.R.S., &c.*Surgeon to, and Lecturer on Surgery at, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, &c.*

A LONG personal acquaintance with Dr. Clement Godson has led me to form a high opinion of his character, ability, and professional attainments. I know that he has worked hard, and I learn from others, competent to judge, that he is skilful and accomplished in that department of medicine, to which he has for many years devoted especial attention. I cannot doubt that he is fully qualified for the appointment of Assistant Obstetric - Physician to St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

WM. S. SAVORY.

66, BROOK STREET, GROSVENOR SQUARE,
12th June, 1875.

No. 7.

FROM

GEORGE W. CALLENDER, Esq., F.R.S.*Surgeon to, and Lecturer on Surgery at, St. Bartholomew's Hospital.*

I HAVE a high opinion of Dr. Godson's professional abilities, and I consider that he is thoroughly qualified to act as Assistant Physician-Accoucheur to our Hospital.

GEORGE W. CALLENDER.

7, QUEEN ANNE STREET,
9th June, 1875.

No. 8.

FROM

THOMAS SMITH, Esq., F.R.C.S.*Surgeon to, and Lecturer on Anatomy at, St. Bartholomew's Hospital.*

I BELIEVE that Dr. Clement Godson is well fitted for the post of Assistant Physician-Accoucheur to St. Bartholomew's. He is active, intelligent, well-informed, courteous and obliging. I believe that he would serve the Hospital well, and manage the department under his control with tact and discretion.

THOMAS SMITH.

5, STRATFORD PLACE, W.

8th June, 1875.

No. 9.

FROM

SAMUEL GEE, M.D., F.R.C.P.*Assistant Physician to, and Lecturer on Pathological Anatomy at, St. Bartholomew's Hospital; Physician to the Hospital for Sick Children, &c.*

DR. CLEMENT GODSON has made himself so well known to all at St. Bartholomew's, during the time at which he held more than one important office there, that it is hardly necessary for me to enter into particulars respecting his character and medical skill. This, however, I can affirm in general: that I believe him to be thoroughly well qualified to undertake the duties of Assistant Physician-Accoucheur.

SAMUEL GEE.

54, HARLEY STREET, W.

12th June, 1875.

No. 10.

FROM

DYCE DUCKWORTH, M.D., F.R.C.P.*Assistant Physician to St. Bartholomew's Hospital; Examiner in the Practice of Physic in the University of Edinburgh, &c.*

DR. CLEMENT GODSON has been well known to me for some years. I entertain a very high sense of his merits, both as an Obstetrician and as a Physician for the Diseases of Women. I believe Dr. Godson to be conscientious and careful in his work, and, in every respect, well fitted for his special branch of the Profession. I think that his services could not fail to be of value, and to prove acceptable at St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

DYCE DUCKWORTH, M.D.

UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH.

June, 1875.

No. 11.

FROM

J. LAUDER BRUNTON, M.D., Sc.D., F.R.S., &c.*Assistant Physician to, and Lecturer on Materia Medica, at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, &c.*

DURING the time that Dr. Godson was Senior Midwifery Assistant at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, I had frequently occasion to send casualty patients to him, and I was then much impressed by the heartiness with which he did his work, and the interest he displayed in it. Although I was never present in the Midwifery Out-patient Room, I have learned from those who were students at the time, when Dr. Godson was assisting there, that he was much liked by the students, as well as by the patients, and his

demonstrations were much appreciated. Should he be appointed Assistant Physician-Accoucheur to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, I have no doubt that his return to his old work will be hailed with pleasure, alike by students and patients.

J. LAUDER BRUNTON, M.D.

23, SOMERSET STREET, PORTMAN SQUARE,

June, 1875.

No. 12.

FROM

ALFRED WILLETT, Esq., F.R.C.S.

Assistant Surgeon to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, &c.

Dr. CLEMENT GODSON has much experience of Obstetric Practice, and is known to be skilful, as well as highly cultivated, in this special branch of medicine. Dr. Godson already has filled the position of Senior Midwifery-Assistant in our Hospital, which entailed upon him duties of a like nature to those he would be called upon to undertake, should he be so fortunate as to receive appointment as Assistant Physician-Accoucheur to St. Bartholomew's. When holding the former office, Dr. Godson gave every satisfaction, and with his increased experience, his strong sense of duty, and from his gentlemanly disposition, I feel sure the new appointment would be very efficiently filled up, were the Governors pleased to elect Dr. Godson on to their staff.

ALFRED WILLETT.

36, WIMPOLE STREET, W.

11th June, 1875.

No. 13.

FROM

JOHN LANGTON, Esq., F.R.C.S.*Assistant Surgeon to, and Lecturer on Anatomy at,
St. Bartholomew's Hospital.*

I HAVE much pleasure in stating that, from an acquaintance of some years with Dr. C. Godson, I have had opportunity of knowing that he has applied himself, with unusual zeal and success, to the study of Obstetric Medicine. His extensive knowledge in this branch of medical science is well known, and can be attested to by others, more competent to judge than I can be. From all, however, that I can gather, I believe him in every way to be worthy of the confidence of the Governors for the office, which he seeks, of Assistant Obstetric Physician to St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

JOHN LANGTON.

2, HARLEY STREET, CAVENDISH SQUARE,
10th June, 1875.

No. 14.

FROM

W. MORRANT BAKER, Esq., F.R.C.S.*Assistant Surgeon, and Lecturer on Physiology at,
St. Bartholomew's Hospital, &c.*

DR. CLEMENT GODSON has been, for many years, distinguished for not less zeal than ability in the study and practice of Obstetric Medicine, while the appointments which he has held, and the credit he has gained in the performance of the duties attached to them, prove the possession, on his

part, of those qualifications, which can be acquired only by a large, and varied practical experience. I believe Dr. Godson to be eminently qualified for the office of Assistant Physician-Accoucheur to St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

W. MORRANT BAKER.

26, WIMPOLE STREET, CAVENDISH SQUARE, W.

2nd June, 1875.

No. 15.

FROM

HOWARD MARSH, Esq., F.R.C.S.

Assistant Surgeon to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and to the Hospital for Sick Children, &c.

DR. CLEMENT GODSON is so well known at St. Bartholomew's that I doubt whether a Testimonial from me can promote his election to the office of Assistant Physician-Accoucheur, for which he is a Candidate; but I willingly express my conviction that he is very highly qualified for that appointment. He has devoted himself most earnestly for some years to this branch of the Profession; I believe him to be thoroughly versed in its literature, and familiar with all its latest advances; and he has had, and has made an excellent use of, an unusually large practical experience in all the departments of the work. And, I believe he is also well qualified for the position he seeks by his disposition, and personal character, and by his powers of interesting students in their work.

HOWARD MARSH.

36, BRUTON STREET, BERKELEY SQUARE,

8th June, 1875.

No. 16.

FROM

BOWATER J. VERNON, Esq., F.R.C.S.*Ophthalmic Surgeon to St. Bartholomew's Hospital.*

As I have known Dr. Clement Godson intimately for some years, I have pleasure in expressing the high opinion I entertain of his professional attainments; of the special work that Dr. Godson has done, and of his thorough knowledge of the branch of our work which he practises, others can speak with much greater authority than I can possibly do, but none would speak more strongly than I would of his general fitness, in every way, to hold, and to maintain with credit, the very valuable appointment which he now seeks at the hands of the Governors of St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

BOWATER J. VERNON.

44A, WIMPOLE STREET.

June, 1875.

No. 17.

FROM

J. BRAXTON HICKS, M.D., F.R.S., F.R.C.P., &c.

Obstetric Physician, and Lecturer on Midwifery, at Guy's Hospital; Examiner in Midwifery at the Royal College of Physicians, &c.

I HAVE known Dr. Clement Godson for some years, and consider him excellently adapted to fill the post of Assistant Obstetric Physician at St. Bartholomew's Hospital. He has had much experience in Obstetric practice, and

has both the knowledge and the energy requisite to carry on successfully that branch of the profession.

J. BRAXTON HICKS, M.D.

24, GEORGE STREET, HANOVER SQUARE, W.

29th May, 1875.

No. 18.

FROM

WM. O. PRIESTLEY, M.D., F.R.C.P.

Consulting Physician to King's College Hospital, and late Professor of Obstetric Medicine in King's College; Examiner in Midwifery at the Royal College of Surgeons; President of the Obstetrical Society of London, &c.

I HAVE formed a most favourable estimate of Dr. Clement Godson's ability and character, and it would afford me much pleasure if any recommendation of mine could aid him in securing the more extended opportunities he seeks of exercising his talents. He has had an excellent medical education, and has enjoyed exceptionable opportunities at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, of gaining experience in all that pertains to the Obstetric art. He seems to me to be at once earnest in the pursuit of the science, and skilful in the practice of his profession, and I cannot but think that any Hospital will be fortunate in securing his services as Obstetric Physician.

WM. O. PRIESTLEY, M.D.

17, HERTFORD STREET, MAYFAIR, W.

7th June, 1875.

No. 19.

FROM

WM. S. PLAYFAIR, M.D., F.R.C.P.

Professor of Obstetric Medicine in King's College ; Obstetric Physician to King's College Hospital, &c.

I HAVE much pleasure in expressing the high opinion I have formed of Dr. Clement Godson's qualifications for the post of Assistant Obstetric Physician to St Bartholomew's Hospital.

I have had the pleasure of Dr. Godson's acquaintance for several years, and, when he was at the Evelina Hospital, had many opportunities of forming an estimate of his professional attainments. These I know to be of the highest character. I know, also, that he has devoted much special study to Obstetric Medicine, and that he is thoroughly informed in the most recent knowledge in that branch of the profession. I can therefore, with much confidence, express my conviction that he is in every way admirably qualified to fill the important office for which he is a Candidate, and in which, I feel certain, that he would increase his own reputation, as well as that of his school.

W. S. PLAYFAIR.

31, GEORGE STREET, HANOVER SQUARE, W.

10th March, 1875.

No. 20.

FROM

ROBERT BARNES, M.D., F.R.C.P.

Obstetric Physician to St. George's Hospital ; lately, Obstetric Physician and Lecturer on Midwifery and Diseases of Women, at St. Thomas's Hospital ; Examiner in Obstetrics at the University of London, &c.

I AM so well acquainted with the personal and profes-

sional career of Dr. Clement Godson that I can have no hesitation in expressing my opinion that he is well fitted to fill the office of Assistant Obstetric Physician to St. Bartholomew's Hospital. He has made himself honourably known by the devotion he has shown in the cultivation of Obstetric, and Gynecological knowledge. He has had quite exceptional opportunities of acquiring clinical experience. He has, in every way, made good his claim to public and professional confidence.

ROBERT BARNES, M.D.

31, GROSVENOR STREET, W.

10th March, 1875.

No. 21.

FROM

GRAILY HEWITT, M.D., F.R.C.P.

Professor of Midwifery, and Diseases of Women, at University College, and Obstetric Physician to the Hospital; Examiner in Obstetrics at the University of London, &c.

I HAVE much pleasure in stating that I believe Dr. Clement Godson to be eminently qualified for the appointment of Obstetric Physician to St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

Dr. Godson is intimately acquainted with that department of the profession, to which he has for some time devoted himself. He is a man of ability and energy, and his other qualities are such as would be highly appreciated in the position he would, if elected, be called to occupy. The manner in which Dr. Godson has performed public professional work at the Samaritan

Hospital for Women and Children justifies the belief that he will highly distinguish himself in an appropriate sphere of action.

GRAILY HEWITT, M.D., LONDON.

36, BERKELEY SQUARE, W.

15th March, 1875.

No. 22.

FROM

JOHN B. POTTER, M.D., M.R.C.P.

Obstetric Physician to the Westminster Hospital, and Lecturer on Midwifery and Diseases of Women, in its Medical School, &c.

I AM only too happy to have the opportunity of testifying to the high professional qualifications of my friend, Dr. Clement Godson. I have had the opportunity of a close friendship with him during the last six years, and can only say that for straightforwardness, honourable and gentlemanly conduct in all professional matters, I have rarely found his equal. As to his special qualifications, his career at St. Bartholomew's, and Aberdeen, was characterised by great zeal, and earnestness of purpose, and, since he has paid special attention to Obstetrics, he has allowed no opportunity to escape of perfecting his knowledge in that subject. I consider, therefore, that he would be a very agreeable colleague, and highly qualified, professionally, for the office of Assistant Obstetric Physician to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and, if elected, likely to prove an additional ornament to that already famous school.

JOHN B. POTTER, M.D.

20, GEORGE STREET, HANOVER SQUARE, W.

15th April, 1875.

No. 23.

FROM

T. SPENCER WELLS, Esq., F.R.C.S., &c.*Surgeon to the Queen's Household, and to the Samaritan Hospital for Women and Children.*

MANY years' acquaintance with Dr. Clement Godson, as a friend and colleague, have given me full opportunity of forming an opinion as to his character and ability, and I have much pleasure in expressing a confident opinion, that he is highly qualified for the appointment of Assistant Obstetric Physician to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and that if he obtain the appointment he will fulfil the important duties of the office in a manner most kind and skilful to the patients, very pleasantly and honourably to his colleagues, and with great advantage to the Hospital and School.

T. SPENCER WELLS.

3, UPPER GROSVENOR STREET, W.

7th June, 1875.

No. 24.

FROM

ALEXANDER R. SIMPSON, M.D., F.R.C.P., Edinburgh,*Professor of Midwifery and Diseases of Women and Children, in the University of Edinburgh; Physician for Diseases of Women, to the Royal Infirmary, and to the Royal Maternity Hospital, Edinburgh.*

I HAVE the pleasure of knowing Dr. Clement Godson, and as I have formed a high estimate, both of his personal character, and of his professional acquirements, more especially in the department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, I have no hesitation in stating that I believe his appointment to the office of Assistant Obstetric Physician to

St. Bartholomew's Hospital - would introduce to its distinguished staff of medical officers a worthy colleague ; to its students a successful teacher ; and to its patients a skilful and kind physician.

ALEX. R. SIMPSON.

52, QUEEN STREET, EDINBURGH,

3rd June, 1875.

No. 25.

FROM

ANGUS FRASER, M.D.

*Physician and Lecturer on Clinical Medicine to the Aberdeen Royal Infirmary ; Examiner in Medicine at the University of Aberdeen. Acting Substitute for the Professor of Midwifery in the University of Aberdeen.**

I HAVE much pleasure in expressing the high opinion I entertain of the abilities and acquirements, both professional and general, of Dr. Clement Godson. He has devoted his attention specially to Midwifery and Gynecology, and I have had ample opportunities of observing how thoroughly conversant he is, both theoretically and practically, with these subjects. When I add that with these special attainments, Dr. Godson combines a courteous manner, and a most obliging disposition, I think I may fairly say that he is particularly well qualified for the appointment of Assistant Obstetric Physician to Saint Bartholomew's Hospital, for which he is now a candidate.

ANGUS FRASER M.A., M.D.

232, UNION STREET, ABERDEEN,

1st June, 1875.

* The Chair of Midwifery being at present vacant, in consequence of the death of Professor Inglis.

No. 26.

FROM

JOSEPH GRIFFITHS SWAYNE, M.D., London, &c.

Consulting Physician - Accoucheur to the Bristol General Hospital, and Lecturer on Midwifery at the Bristol Medical School.

HAVING heard that Dr. Godson is a Candidate for the office of Assistant Physician-Accoucheur to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, I have much pleasure in stating that I have formed a very high opinion as to his qualifications for such an appointment. My personal acquaintance with Dr. Godson is but slight, but I have read attentively various communications from him which have appeared in the different Medical Journals, on subjects connected with Obstetric Medicine. His papers not only show much industry and patient research, but display considerable originality and fertility of invention in suggesting new, and improving old methods of treatment, and I feel sure that his appointment to the office for which he is a Candidate, would be a great advantage to the patients committed to his care, and also a gain to medical science.

JOSEPH GRIFFITHS SWAYNE, M.D.

HAREWOOD HOUSE, PEMBROKE ROAD, CLIFTON.

6th June, 1875.

No. 27.

SAMARITAN FREE HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN,
LOWER SEYMOUR STREET, PORTMAN SQUARE, W.

DORSET HOUSE BRANCH :

1 DORSET STREET, MANCHESTER SQUARE, W.

DEAR DR. GODSON,

We hear you are a Candidate for the vacancy of Assistant Physician-Accoucheur to St. Bartholomew's

Hospital, and are glad to have an opportunity of testifying our high appreciation of your conduct as a colleague, and your fitness for the appointment. We know no one better qualified for it, and heartily wish you success, hoping at the same time it will not deprive us of your valuable and agreeable co-operation in the work at this place.

We are, dear Dr. Godson,

Faithfully yours,

HENRY SAVAGE	} Consulting Physicians.
WILLIAM JENNER	
WILLIAM FERGUSSON	} Consulting Surgeon.
C. H. F. ROUTH, M.D.	} Physicians.
W. R. ROGERS, M.D.	
A. WYNN WILLIAMS, M.D.	
W. H. DAY, M.D.	
GEO. GRANVILLE BANTOCK, M.D.	
PERCY BOULTON, M.D.	} Surgeons.
T. SPENCER WELLS	
J. KNOWSLEY THORNTON	

8th June, 1875.